



KARATE NOVA SCOTIA

2016 Annual General Meeting Minutes April 3rd, 2016

Location: Italian Canadian Cultural Association, Lower Level Clubhouse
2629 Agricola Street, Halifax.

Call to order, quorum is validated

Members present:

Gary Walsh, Chris Richards, Russell Howy, Moji Talebzadeh, Jeff Murphy, Theresa Griffin, David Griffin, Greg Da Ros, Cary Hollett, Ward Cartier, Shannon Doane, Melani Bourque, Victor Swinamer, Milton Bourque, Elizabeth Killam, Rob Sweeney, Garrett Chase, Andrew Swiber, Karen Armour.

Meeting called to order, 1:52 PM

13 dojos represented.

Review minutes of previous meeting: Garrett Chase

- Garrett Chase reviewed the minutes.

Motion:

David Griffin moves that the minutes be accepted as read.

Rob Sweeney seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.



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President's Report: Gary Walsh

- Gary Walsh reviewed the Presidents Report (available to read on KNS website, karatens.org).
- Welcome to Ward Cartier and Moji Talebzadeh
- The portion in the President's Report regarding the 2018 Nationals is discussed as a separate agenda item.
- Gary discussed relationship and role of Sport NS and funding
- Gary provided update on NCCP and his role of Master Learning Facilitator
- Gary discussed grant funding for tournament software/database
- KNS funding is based on athletic/coach/official performance and qualifications
- It was brought to Gary's attention that Craig Sexton must be added to association role list as "equipment manager"

Motion:

Shannon Doane moves to approve the president's report.

Victor Swinamer seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Richards

- Chris noted that he took over as treasurer in Oct. 2015
- Chris reviewed the KNS Association acct. (spreadsheet may be viewed on KNS website) – it was noted that the closing balance is not accurate as some membership fees were submitted since the report was generated.
- There are some outstanding expenses that were not yet paid at time of reporting.
- KNS is no longer paying for an equipment storage facility.
- Dave Griffin suggested providing a balance sheet showing income vs expenses for future reports, Chris will take this into consideration for the future.



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- Chris reviewed the KNS Team acct. (spreadsheet may be viewed on KNS website)

Motion:

David Griffin moves to approve the treasurer's report.

Theresa Griffin seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.

Membership Report: Andrew Swiber

- Andrew explained the membership report (may be found on karatens.org)
- Membership registration and fees are continuing to be submitted late
- Need to submit student demographics with registration for funding purposes (i.e. age, gender, para-athlete, etc)
- This year, we hope to receive all membership for by cut off date December 25 2016 – KNS needs to send fees to Karate Canada on time, regardless of when they are submitted to KNS.
- There are approximately 960 members in KNS this year, down from 980 last year.
- As of April 1st , there were 23 dojos registered, and two more at time of the AGM on April 3rd. (25 dojos)

Motion:

David Griffin moves to approve the membership report.

Victor Swinamer seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.



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NCCP Report: Karen Armour

- Karen read the NCCP report (it may be read in detail on karatens.org)
- Karen explained the NCCP program and the various levels and streams (coach.ca)
- There will be a new set of courses offered in Nova Scotia later this year - a survey will be sent out to decide dates (possibly summer months)
- Karen discusses Karate Canada's efforts to become part of the Canada Games.
- In the near future, it may be necessary to have NCCP training in order to sit in the coach's chair in NS – this has already happened in some provinces.

Motion:

Victor Swinamer moves to approve the NCCP report.

Ward Cartier seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.

Coaches Report: Karen Armour

- Karen reads Coaches Report (may be accessed at karatens.org)
- Nationals results were discussed – we had a low number of participants, but a large medal count. 11 athletes competed, 14 medals were won (and four 5th place finishes).
- Trysten Deveau received Senior Sportsmanship Award at Nationals; Trysten and Ryan O'Neil were named Sport Chek Athlete of the Month.
- Karen reviews the 2016/2017 training schedule, 2017 Nationals will be held in Quebec City.
- Karen was pleased to announce there were 20 new athletes at the 1st workout of the season on April 2nd!



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- In addition to the kumite work outs, there will be Karate Canada kata training events held several times through the season led by Kata coaches Dave Griffin and Victor Swinamer.

Motion:

Dave Griffin moves to approve the Coaches report.

Victor Swinamer seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.

Officials Report: David Griffin

- Dave reads the report (may be read at karatens.org)
- Congratulations to Garrett Chase on receiving his National Judge B license in both kata and kumite in Richmond, BC.
- There are officials clinics scheduled for April 22 and June 10, the Friday nights before the respective tournaments.
- There will be a provincial level certification clinic TBA, late summer or early fall.

Motion:

Milton Bourque moves to approve the Officials report.

Victor Swinamer seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed

2018 Nationals in Halifax: Gary Walsh

- We have received confirmation that our application has been approved by Karate Canada and the 2018 Nationals will be in Halifax
- Work is being done already between KNS and KC to secure venue, host hotel, etc.
- Committees will need to be established to organize volunteers, transportation



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- Emails will be sent out in near future requesting help to form committees... don't need to be a karate-ka to help out! All help is appreciated!
- Possible locations include Nova Centre, Canada Games Centre, and Cunard Centre (Pier 21).

Open Floor for New Business

- New hall of fame inductee: Victor Swinamer nominates Duncan MacLeod of Truro for his impact on Karate in Nova Scotia through Uechi-ryu style. KNS will cover transport and accommodation to Yarmouth to present the award at KNS Awards at Yarmouth Cup.
- Greg Da Ros proposes KNS begin using an online membership system to register dojos. Greg will research options and pricing
- It was suggested that KNS hold a tournament north of Halifax (i.e. Truro). Possibly an open tournament to stimulate participation from Non-members of KNS.
- Shannon Doane from SMU Shotokan Club - requires a KNS registration certificate. Greg Da Ros designed one and will send.

Election of Officers: 1st Vice President, Membership Coordinator,

Regional Directors

1st Vice President: Greg Da Ros

Karen Armour nominated Greg Da Ros,
Chris Richards seconded the nomination
Vote: All in favour

Membership Coordinator: Andrew

Swiber

Greg Da Ros nominated Andrew Swiber,
Chris Richards seconded the nomination
Vote: All in favour



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Central Nova Regional Director: Russel

Hovey

Greg Da Ros nominated Russel Hovey,
Karen Armour seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

Southwest Nova Regional Director:

Milton Bourque

Victor Swinamer nominated Milton Bourque,
Karen Armour seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

South Shore Regional Director: Victor

Swinamer

Karen Armour nominated Victor Swinamer,
Milton Bourque seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

Annapolis Valley Regional Director:

David Griffin

Gary Walsh nominated David Griffin,
Karen Armour seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

Central (HRM) Regional Director:

Shannon Doane

Karen Armour nominated Shannon Doane,
David Griffin seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

Cape Breton Regional Director: Jeff

Murphy

Greg Da Ros nominated Jeff Murphy,
Garrett Chase seconded the nomination

Vote: All in favour

Motion:

Karen Armour moves to close the meeting.

Gary Walsh seconded the motion.

Voting Results: All in favour. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:38pm.